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SUBJ: ANNUAL ATOMAL/COSMIC SUBREGISTRY INSPECTION

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1. FOLLOWING IS IN RESPONSE TO ATOMAL/COSMIC SUBREGISTRY
INSPECTION CONDUCTED 22 AUGUST 1975.

A. GENERAL OBSERVATION: EMBASSY RECOGNIZES IMPORTANCE OF
ADEQUATE CONTROL AND FILING PROCEDURES FOR ALL DOCUMENTS
IN ATOMAL OR COSMIC CATEGORIES. IT IS EMBASSY POLICY
TO ENSURE THAT THESE PROCEDURES ARE CLOSELY
FOLLOWED.

B. TIMING OF INSPECTION: INSPECTION REPORT ALLUDED TO
UNFAMILIARITY OF SUBREGISTRY PERSONNEL WITH DIRECTIVES
GOVERNING PROPER CONTROL OF NATO CLASSIFIED
DOCUMENTS. WE NOTE THAT ATOMAL/COSMIC CONTROL OFFICER
WAS ON LEAVE DURING INSPECTION PERIOD AND INSPECTION
OFFICER HAD BEEN ADVISED OF THESE PLANS IN ADVANCE
OF VISIT TO POST. NONETHELESS, PERTINAND DIRECTIVES
HAVE BEEN FULLY REVIEWED WITH ALTERNATE COSMIC CONTROL OFFICER.

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2. CORRECTIVE ACTION

A. COSMIC: FULL INVENTORY OF NATO SECRET DOCUMENTS COMPLETED, UNNECESSARY PAPERS DESTROYED AND ALL MATERIAL RETAINED BY POST NOW PROPERLY MARKED AND FILED. A CONTINUOUS RECEIPT SYSTEM HAS BEEN IN EFFECT IN POLITICAL SECTION SINCE COSMIC CONTROL OFFICER IS ALSO POLITICAL OFFICER. PROCEDURE FOR RECEIPTS HAS BEEN TURNED OVER TO ALTERNATE COSMIC CONTROL OFFICER IN C&R UNIT WHERE DOCUMENTS ARE STORED. SUB-REGISTRY WILL REMAIN AS CONTROL POINT FOR ALL NATO DOCUMENTS.

B. ATOMAL: UNFORTUNATELY, THERE ARE NO ATOMAL BRIEFING CERTIFICATES ON HAND. WE REQUEST HERewith A SUPPLY OF CERTIFICATES SO THAT BRIEFINGS, REBRIEFINGS, AND DEBRIEFINGS FOR AOMAL ACCESS MAY BE INSTITUTED. FILING AND OTHER PROCEDURAL DEFICIENCIES NOTED HAVE BEEN CORRECTED. IT IS DIFFICULT FOR EMBASSY TO COMMENT ON WHETHER ATOMAL STATUS OF SUBREGISTRY SHOULD BE RETAINED SINCE WE HAVE RECEIVED NO ATOMAL DOCUMENTS SINCE 1969. WE WOULD NOT, HOWEVER, WANT TO BE IN A POSITION OF BEING UNABLE TO RECEIVE ATOMAL DOCUMENTS OF SUBSTANTIVE INTEREST TO EMBASSY OFFICERS BECAUSE OF A BUREAUCRATIC DECISION TO DOWNGRADE THE SUBREGISTRY'S ATOMAL STATUS.
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